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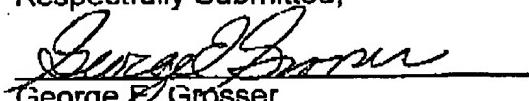
In a preferred embodiment, multiple such interposed wireless communicators are used in a system and communicate among themselves over the power line. Computer terminals located in the wireless connection zones of the communicator apparatus are thus connected into a network.

Claims 1 - 8 and 11 - 13 have been amended to more strongly emphasize the interposition of opposed sections that cooperate with the lamp and socket connection to retain lamp function while adding a powered wireless communicator for a wireless computer network. Certain of the claims (7 and 11) further emphasize the use of the power line for signals in order to network between the communicators already connected thereto by Applicant's connector, this to retrofit a lighting system to support computer terminal networking with multiple wireless zones.

As a further refinement certain claims (6 and 13) further emphasize the use of the computer network according to the invention to turn the lamp on and off.

In accordance with the foregoing, it is believed that this case has been placed in condition for allowance; and, early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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